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Marshall to Host Historic Preservation Tax Credit Workshop for Commercial and Residential Property Owners

Lansing - The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), the Michigan Historic Preservation Network (MHPN), the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) and the Marshall DDA Main Street will present a workshop on the basics of historic preservation tax credits on Wednesday, May 26, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

State Historic Preservation Office architect Bryan Lijewski and Nan Taylor, field representative for the Michigan Historic Preservation Network and the National Trust, will review the different types of historic designation, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, and the tax credits available for the rehabilitation of historic properties.

"As a historic district designated as a National Historic Landmark, Marshall obviously has an outstanding collection of historic buildings," stated Lijewski. "We want to help people understand how to maintain the character of the buildings – and of their community as a whole – and help them take advantage of the incentives that exist for the owners of these buildings."

Lijewski will also review the federal tax credit application and answer any questions that people may have.

The free workshop will take place at the Marshall District Library, 124 W. Green Street. Please make your reservation by Tuesday, May 25, by calling Diane Larkin, 269/781-5183 or by email at dlarkin@cityofmarshall.com.

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